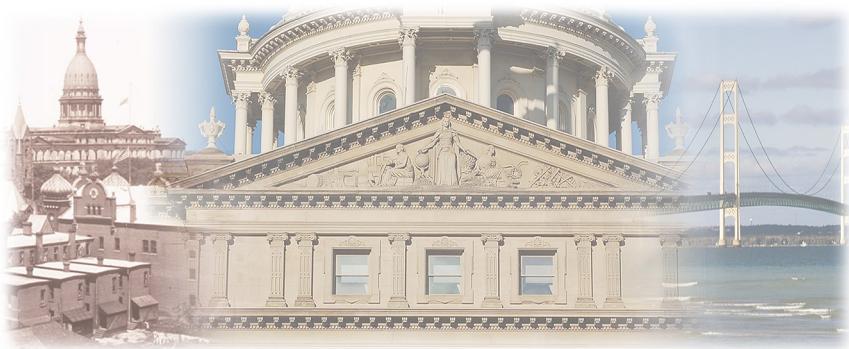


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PREFACE

The 2009-2010 *Michigan Manual* represents a departure from recent editions. In acknowledgment of transformational changes in the manner in which citizens access and use information, the 2009-2010 edition is essentially presented in two versions. The web version, available from the "Publications" link of the web site of the Michigan Legislature (legislature.mi.gov), provides access to up-to-date information. The printed version of the book includes the historical data that is a hallmark of this publication, but it includes less resource material than recent editions of the book. A notable omission from the printed book are elections results that are readily available through the Secretary of State's Election Bureau. The shorter printed version is an expression of the realities of economics that are facing government at all levels.

It is our hope that the two versions will accommodate the dual purposes of serving as a current resource and providing historic information not easily found elsewhere.

The presentation of live links to departments, the courts, universities, and local units of government offers advantages over a static print publication. This greatly expands the volume, quality, timeliness, and accessibility of information.

The *Michigan Manual* will continue to evolve. If you have comments or suggestions for improvements, please use the email address below to communicate them.

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